



## NOAA Restoration Center

### Nicholas Canyon Creek Restoration

#### Project Description

The goal of this project was initially to remove non-native vegetation along a 200 yard section of Nicholas Canyon Creek and re-vegetate the area with native riparian plants. Community volunteers and school children will assist with planting and monitoring. However, funding went towards developing a master plan, and not on-the-ground activities.

<b>Project Nickname</b>	Nicholas Canyon Creek (EPA-02)		
<b>Location</b>	Malibu, Los Angeles County, CA, 93035 SWR		
<b>Program</b>	Community-based Restoration	<b>Congressional District</b>	CA 23
<b>Lat, Long Coordinates</b>	-118.9134, 34.0436	<b>Land Ownership</b>	
<b>Implementation Start Date</b>	01-OCT-02	<b>Implementation End Date</b>	30-SEP-03
<b>River Basin</b>	Santa Monica Bay	<b>HUC</b>	18070104
<b>Geographic Identifier</b>	Southern Coastal California	<b>USGS Topo Quad</b>	Triunfo Pass, CA
<b>Project Status</b>	Implementation Complete	<b>Project Type</b>	Restoration
<b>Project Status Description</b>	Although completed, this project developed a Master Plan and no specific on-the-ground restoration activities have thus far implemented associated with the Plan.		

#### Landmark

#### Number of Volunteers

#### Volunteer Hours

#### Volunteer Description

<b>Proposed Project?</b>	<b>Project Closed?</b>	Y	<b>FY Completed</b>	2003
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#### Habitat Information

Type	Acres Created	Acres Re-established	Acres Rehabilitated	Acres Enhanced	Acres Protected	Stream Miles	# Plants/ Animals
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#### Species Information

Commonname	Genus	Species	Population Name	NMFS Status	Species Type
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#### Partners

#### Restoration Techniques

riparian planting
removal of non-native/invasive species

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#### NOAA Involvement

source of funding
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#### Monitoring Information

Characteristic	Type
Additional Info	

***Funding Information***

<b>Funding Mechanism</b>	<b>FY Awarded</b>	<b>NOAA Contribution</b>	<b>Partnership Contribution</b>	<b>Total Partnership Contribution</b>
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation - Five Star	2002	\$5,000	\$5,000	\$10,000
<b>TOTALS</b>		\$5,000	\$5,000	\$10,000

**Other Non-Federal \$**  **Other Federal \$**  **Total Project Cost**

**Funding Recipient** Wishtoyo Foundation

**Funding Comments*****Project Abstract***

The NOAA Community-based Restoration Program partnered with the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) 5-star Program to fund the Nicholas Canyon Creek Restoration Project. These funds were awarded to the Wishtoyo Foundation, a Native American non-profit organization. The funds were used to develop a master plan, completed in fall of 2003, for site restoration. If implemented, the project would include the removal of non-native vegetation and then re-vegetate with native plants along a 200 yard section (approximately 2 acres) of Nicholas Canyon Creek. This creek is in the range of the endangered Southern California Coast Steelhead and may have historically supported steelhead. Also, if implemented this project would improve the functionality of the riparian habitat and may assist with access to spawning habitat upon the hoped-for-return of steelhead to the stream. Ongoing monitoring and maintenance of the project site will be performed by community volunteers. Outreach efforts have included increasing volunteers understanding of riparian ecosystems. Future outreach will include guided tours of the area as part of an adjacent cultural heritage site. Other project partners included the Homeland Foundation, Environment Now, Southern California Wetlands Recovery Project, and Turning Point School.